

Respondents to CAT & Common Good Support

Ref 1	I want everybody to fully support Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics Club's project in building their own gym. This is a huge step forward for not only the gymnastics club, but also Forfar. By building this gym, opportunities for the young all the way through to the old will arise. There is no purpose built gym from the stretch, Dundee to Aberdeen. We can only begin to imagine the impact this gym will have on this area!!! From recreational gymnastics for fun, to elite gymnasts. From fitness classes, to conditioning classes. From baby gymnastics to adult gymnastics. You name it! Time to create something that will create many many opportunities for ANYONE
2	I think this will be a good thing for the area. It will make good use of a redundant facility, encourage use of Forfar Loch walks etc with parents taking the time to walk in the area while waiting on their kids finishing classes. The Phoenix club appear to be a well run, well attended club with large numbers on the waiting list to attend the club. Having a facility of this sort will allow them more children to attend and enjoy the sport of gymnastics.
3	I whole heartedly support this venture from Phoenix gymnastic Club. My daughter has attended since she was 7yrs old and is now 18 and a level 2 paid coach. I have watched her grow from a very shy wee thing into a confident young lady, which is partly down to her attending this club, they are family the discipline this instils in the children is fantastic, the socialising aspect makes them more confident and make friends for life and has made a difference to so many children. A facility is badly needed in this area as the amount of children on the waiting list prove. I think it would be a huge asset to the town, bringing people to the area using other amenities or going shopping while there child are at gymnastics. It would also allow the club to run bigger classes this would mean employing more qualified coaching staff. It would also allow for more specialised classes to be introduced. The advanced class have to travel to Dundee every week to train on the specialised equipment that unfortunately we cannot use at the campus as there is no storage are for this.
4	I think this is a great opportunity for the Forfar and area community to support a very valuable club within the area. A purpose built facility would be excellent for all the children giving them a great opportunity to develop their skills. The tennis courts is a great area as parents will not need transport. I fully support this.
5	I think this a great opportunity for the Forfar and Area community to support a very established club within the local area. A purpose built facility would be excellent for all the local children giving them a great to develop their skills. The tennis courts are located in a prime central location giving easy access to all children within the community.
6	<p>I am emailing to show my support re the Phoenix Gymnastics club facility project.</p> <p>Both my daughters, joined this club whilst attending primary school, it was really good to have a club where there was an opportunity to keep children healthy and meet lots of friends from other schools – this definitely supported them when moving up to secondary school as friendships were already formed.</p> <p>Now that the club has moved up to the campus it's not as easy to access for families with no car, I know there are buses etc but these don't always run when you would like them to. Having the club in a more central location would make it more accessible.</p> <p>Forfar needs something like this – I really think it would benefit lots of families in Forfar.</p>
7	Please take this email as confirmation of my support for the request to transfer ownership of the former Tennis Courts at Craig O'Loch Road in Forfar to Phoenix Gymnastics Club. I believe strongly that this would be of great benefit to the community and provide an opportunity for local youngsters to develop world class gymnastic skills. The ground as it currently lies is an eyesore and is detrimental to the aesthetics of the area.
8	I am in support of the club in trying to achieve their own premises on the location of the former tennis courts beside lochside leisure centre and am happy for the sale of the common good land for the purposes in the application.
9	<p>I wish to show my support to Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics on their application to purchase the tennis courts in Forfar to build a new gymnastics building.</p> <p>My daughter has been a member of the gymnastics club for 4 years. The current situation with the club running out of fcc is not acceptable and this new building would benefit the club no end. As stated the equipment has to be moved, often the club is sharing a part of the hall with another exercise class, there are restricted times and</p>

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11	<p>We support the club in what they are trying to do and we are happy for the sale of common good land for the purposes of the application. The site is currently underused and wasted, by supporting this application generations of children would benefit from this land for the purpose of sport and development.</p>
12	<p>We support the club in what they are trying to do and happy for the sale of common good land for the purpose in the application.</p>
13	<p>I would like to share my support of the asset transfer of the tennis courts to Phoenix gymnastics club, this would provide a great venue for the club and it's members. It is central to the town and is very accessible. It may reduce the amount of members travelling by car to the club as it is more central than the current venue. It will also provide the members with more variety of equipment and opportunities for the children to develop their skills. The club is very popular with local children and from children from surrounding areas and has a large waiting list, having their own venue will allow them to enrol more members and give more local children the opportunity to be involved in the club.</p>
14	<p>I would like to register my support for the asset transfer to Phoenix (Forfar) Gymnastics Club. A purpose built gymnastics facility would be very beneficial to the area and indeed Angus in general. Gymnastics is such a popular sport and there are currently lengthy waiting lists for most clubs. We travel from Aberdeenshire to allow our daughter to train at Phoenix – a building of their own would allow more children to get involved in the sport and allow for even better training opportunities for those already involved.</p> <p>I wish the club well in their endeavours and will continue to support the process of developing a fantastic facility which will benefit gymnasts across a large spectrum of ages and abilities.</p>
15	<p>Having used the club for the development of my children over the last 5yrs and seen the significant benefits it has for them as well as all the other hundreds of children in the community I wholeheartedly support their application in all respects.</p> <p>The improvements that this new facility will provide for the local and wider community and its children cannot be overestimated. It will give many more of the children on the extensive waiting list access to a safe and engaging environment where health, fitness and fun are the key motivator.</p>
16	<p>I feel that the benefits to the local and wider community children, both mentally and physically, that will be provided by the formation of this purpose built facility far out way any issues that may be raised by the transfer of this small section of land provided for the "common good".</p> <p>As it currently stands the tennis court facilities are in a significant state of disrepair and fast approaching the point where they may constitute a risk to public health. The conversion of this area by such a large and longstanding local club should not only be allowed but actively encouraged by all.</p>

	<p>Phoenix Gymnastics currently provides a healthy and fun environment for some of our local children to develop, mentally and physically, but with the proposed new facilities and additional space they would have the potential to help the hundreds more who are currently on their extensive waiting list.</p> <p>The approval of this asset transfer can only be seen a benefit for the “common good” of the residents of Forfar and Angus.</p>
17	<p>I think having the Phoenix Forfar gymnastic club based at the old tennis courts in Forfar would be such a major boost for the club taking it to another level, and greatly benefiting current and future members! Currently there is nowhere locally like this therefore members have to travel to a club in Dundee to further there abilities, so to have a proper club nearby would just be amazing for everybody involved. Such hard work , time and effort has gone into this so far by the ladies so it would be so lovely to have a positive outcome!</p>
18	<p>I write in full support of Phoenix Gymnastics application for the asset transfer of the tennis courts and their proposed development. This is a wonderful project which will provide excellent facilities for hundreds of children in the area. At a time when there is so much focus on childhood inactivity Phoenix Gymnastics are doing excellent work combatting this. This project will also improve a current eyesore so a winner on a few fronts</p>
19	<p>I am writing with regards to the application for asset transfer which has been submitted by Phoenix Gymnastics and would like to show my support towards the club in what they are trying to achieve.</p> <p>I am happy for the sale of common good land for the purposes of their application and think it will be good for the whole of Angus to have a purpose built gymnastics building which will benefit not only the current children in attendance but children attending in the future. I also believe it will provide a positive boost for employment in the area. I sincerely hope that the application is approved and wait with eager interest in the result.</p>
20	<p>I am completely for the Club building their own facility and being granted this asset transfer.</p> <p>I think it will be an excellent facility for our town and an amazing opportunity for our children. My son is a member of the Club and my daughter will hopefully join soon. Everyone works so hard in the Club for the children, it is amazing to be a part of. I give them my full support.</p>
21	<p>I would like to express my support to the club for what they are trying to do and I am happy for the sale of common good land (tennis courts) for the purpose of the application.</p>
22	<p>I was recently made aware of the proposal from Phoenix gymnastics club to convert the old tennis courts into a purpose built gym. I cannot speak highly enough of the club which I was a member of for 11 years. They played a huge part in my upbringing and I know a purpose built facility would of improved my experienced and training even further than what I received. I think the sport is unique and amazing, teaching young woman positive body and self confidence, discipline and real hard work. I really hope to hear their application was successful, I can't think of any better use for that space.</p>
23	<p>This is a great idea it will benefit a lot of children help them keep active. The community need this. I'm happy for the sale of common good land for the purpose of the application so it can still be used by the community's children better to be used than left empty.</p>
24	<p>Please accept this letter as formal representation to support the asset transfer request and consultation on disposal or change of use of common good property made by Phoenix Gymnastics Clubs.</p> <p>My daughters are taking lessons from the club and would be extremely good for them to have a gymnastic hall built for purpose for the lessons. Despite that, it would provide a new option for kids and teens in Forfar for healthy entertainment during non lesson time to use the gymnastic hall for fun sessions and birthday parties. The nearest Gymnastic purpose built hall for kids and teen are in Dundee. They need to travel to Dundee for the session and often have meal there before head back to Forfar. It would help boosting the economy in Forfar should the request by Phoenix Gymnastic Club being accepted.</p> <p>Looking forward to hearing the outcome of the request.</p>
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26	<p>I write in support of the consultation on a community asset transfer from Angus Council Common Good to Phoenix(Forfar) Gymnastics Club.</p> <p>Providing this new facility for young people to learn and experience the discipline and health benefits of Gymnastics will give opportunity to many many youngsters in our community. This represents a superb use of a redundant public space that would otherwise return to parkland. There is already sufficient provision of parks in Forfar. The proposed transfer will give much wider benefit than a patch of grass to our local young people. I sincerely hope the transfer is agreed and progressed to completion.</p>
27	<p>As a parent of two children that attend Phoenix Gymnastics Club in Forfar I completely support the club in what they are trying to do and am happy for the sale of common good land for the purposes in the application. This is an amazing opportunity for the council to support a fantastic club and show that they are willing to help develop something great into something even better for the children of angus .</p>
28	<p>I would like to support the request for Phoenix Gymnastics Club for change of use at Craig O'Loch. I think this will be an excellent facility for Angus and surrounding areas.</p>
29	<p>I fully support the Phoenix Gymnastics Club's application. I believe this is an excellent opportunity for the kids and a great facility for the town of Forfar</p>
30	<p>This is a letter of support for Forfar Phoenix Gymnastic Club's application.</p> <p>The club has been successfully training gymnasts for many years and to further their continued success I am in support of the sale of common good land for the purposes stated in the application.</p>
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32	<p>I strongly support the Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics Club in what they are trying to do and am happy for the sale of common good land for the purposes of their application.</p>
33	<p>My daughter is in this gymnastics club at the advanced level getting the tennis courts so they can build there own gym would be amazing for them and future children who want to do gymnastics.I totally support the club and hope they get the sale of the common good land.</p>
34	<p>We support the club in what they are trying to do and we are happy for the sale of common good land for the purpose in the application.</p>
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37	<p>I am writing in support of the asset transfer request made by Phoenix (Forfar) gymnastics club re the former tennis courts and associated car parking, Craig o'loch road.</p>

	<p>I support the clubs bid to buy the land and build a purpose built facility. I feel this is a group who contribute to the local community and provide excellent opportunities for the local children with various activities and exercise. My god son is a member of the club and has benefited from the social and physical aspects the club currently provides. Better facilities would allow more children to benefit in these ways.</p>
38	<p>I am writing in support of the asset transfer request made by Phoenix (Forfar) gymnastics club re the former tennis courts and associated car parking, Craig o'loch road. I support the clubs bid to buy the land and build a purpose built facility. I feel this is a group who contribute to the local community and provide excellent opportunities for the local children with various activities and exercise.</p> <p>My family are shortly relocating to the Angus area and I fully support this new facility as I feel my children will benefit from it as will many others in the area.</p>
39	<p>We support the club in the what they are trying to do and we're happy for this sale of common good land for purposes in application</p>
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41	<p>I would like to note my support for Phoenix Gymnastics club in what they trying to do and am happy for the sale of common good land for the purposes in the application. A purpose built gym would give the club better training facilities a more suitable environment and give more children the opportunity to take part in the sport. I am aware of the hundreds of children on the waiting list as it stands and feel this would be a fantastic addition to the town.</p>
42	<p>I'm contacting you to show my support for the above application. This will be a fantastic addition to the town providing opportunities many.</p>
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46	<p>I have been the Angus Development Squad coach for over 10 years, originally training the members of the squad in the Sports Centre at Lochside and now in the Community Campus in Forfar.</p> <p>I am writing to you in support of the above Community Asset Transfer request, in favour of Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics Club.</p> <p>The Club has been central to providing gymnastics opportunities for youngsters across Angus for decades. As a sport, gymnastics can be very specialised however it is also recognised as providing the fundamentals for all sports, developing the foundations, for participants to build on whether they remain within the gymnastics family or another sporting family throughout their lives. The level of performance is ever rising, as is the number of members in the Club. Many gymnasts remain with the Club, from pre-school beginnings into adulthood, transitioning into coaching and official roles to support continued development. The Club truly has the potential to provide lifelong participation opportunities for decades more within a purpose built facility. I noted, while searching the listings for Community Asset Transfer applications, that a Rugby Club is also requesting purchase of land, in a location in close proximity to the ground in this application, to further facilitate growth and improve development opportunities for participants. The Gymnastics Club is also requesting the purchase of the land, to accompany the building they would own, to continue the growth and development of current and future members.</p> <p>Allowing the Club to purchase the ground will allow them to consolidate the planning process for the building that has already had permission granted for. Effectively the use of the ground and building will still be for the "common good" as the Club will be initiating, promoting and sustaining long term activity and sport for the people of Forfar and the greater community of Angus. It would not make sense to place a building that is owned by the Club on ground that the Club does not own.</p> <p>The facility, that the Club has already gained planning permission for, will be unique within Angus, in so far as the nearest comparable facilities are in Dundee, Auchterarder or Aberdeen. It will allow the Club to expand further and provide participation opportunities not currently available. This will mean that the workforce will also</p>

	<p>expand and so the Club will be providing employment opportunities for the longer term offering a sustainable future for participants.</p> <p>With the ever expanding boundary of the town of Forfar, in addition to other Angus locations, additional facilities cannot always be provided by the local authority, due to ever tightening budget constraints. By permitting sale of the land, provision of participation in sport and activity will be secured by working in partnership with the Club with no additional costs to the authority. The local economy and community will prosper by encouraging engagement in sport and activities with the influx of new families to the area, provided by this facility.</p> <p>By granting the transfer of a community asset to a local community club, the authority will be investing in the future of the people of Forfar and the wider area.</p> <p>I trust this communication is viewed favourably and wish Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics Club well in their application.</p>
47	<p>I am writing to express my support for the proposed sale of common land to support a new gymnastics centre at the tennis courts, Forfar.</p> <p>As a parent of a participant at Phoenix Forfar I would like to stress the importance of improved facilities for the children at this club. I have watched gymnastics transform my daughters life. It has taught her about discipline and team work. She has learnt that the best things in life don't come easy! She has also learnt that some things are really worth putting the effort in for, and believe me, everyone involved in this club puts in an extraordinary amount of effort! I believe that as well as teaching my daughter some amazing physical skills and techniques, gymnastics is also teaching her respect, responsible citizenship and how to be an effective contributor. It is teaching her life skills. As small town communities, we want our children to grow into young adults equipped to contribute to the community. Children growing up in rural/semi rural areas should not be disadvantaged due to their postcode, they should be afforded the same opportunities as every other child. Phoenix make their fees very reasonable and the club is highly accessible, removing any sense of barriers or elitism, however, the lack of appropriate facilities is a barrier that they cannot overcome without support.</p> <p>I urge the council to invest in its young people for the community it hopes to see thrive in the future.</p>
48	<p>I would like to take this opportunity to let you know how wonderful it would be to let the gymnastics club build their facilities on the grounds of current tennis courses. That would give opportunity to many members of our community to take part in different activities during the week. Unfortunately I am aware of long waiting lists for the mentioned club. Due to lack of space and bigger facilities the club cannot offer all the children the spaces in their classes.</p> <p>I hope you will consider my opinion and let the Phoenix Forfar gymnastics club to build their own facility at the mentioned site.</p>
49	<p>I heard about facility project for Phoenix GC on the current tennis courts and would like to take this opportunity to support the idea. That would give youths and other members of our local community a chance to join the club - I know there is a long waiting list at the moment and children have to wait 2-3 years to get a space at gymnastics. It is very popular sport and I hope you will help our youngsters to gain that experience by supporting the project.</p>
50	<p>I would like to support Phoenix Gymnastics Club in their request for ownership of the old tennis courts and parking on Craig o'loch Road, Forfar.</p>
51	<p>As a member of the Forfar community, I support Phoenix Gymnastic Club in their application for the tennis courts. Thirty four years ago this club had been newly formed and I helped out at the club as my younger sister attended. My son and niece also attended. This club has survived and grown over the years thanks to the volunteers and teachers who have given up their time and commitment. This is a great location for the club as they now need their own premises due to the growing numbers. The club needs to remain in the town for access as many would not have the time and money to transport their daughters and sons if located outwith.</p>
52	<p>I'm writing in support of the asset transfer to Phoenix gymnastic club. There is a great need for this purpose built facility for the club. With the facilities at Forfar sports centre moved now to the new campus they can't fully accommodate the needs of the club. There are many families involved with the club & the new facility will allow more availability to local families. Bringing new opportunities to the local community.</p>
53	<p>I have no objection of the transfer of common good land to the Phoenix Forfar gymnastic club for the purposes in the application Thank you</p>

54	<p>I am writing this e-mail to support Forfar Phoenix Gymnastic Club asset transfer request of Common Good Property to use the tennis courts and car park at the old Forfar Leisure Centre, Craig O'Loch Road, Forfar – Angus, to build a purpose built hall for the club to increase membership, classes, practice and continue as a local club. The club has a membership of over 300 and a waiting list of 200, approving this application would be of great benefit to the health and wellbeing of the children and young people in and around Forfar. Scotland has a 65% obesity rate, in 2017, 26% of children aged 2-15 were at risk of overweight, including 13% at risk of obesity, I am not sure if Angus Council have a policy to promote healthy lives and living as in my experience as a local lad I have witnessed Angus Council reduce local facilities, underfund and or remove play park facilities which has reduced the activity opportunities for children in and around Forfar. I have lived in Forfar for 40 years and in this time I have witnessed successive Elected Councillors and members vote away and remove free and well used park and leisure facilities throughout Forfar.</p> <p>I live in the Gallowshade area and my local park is known as Eggo's park – when I was young this park had 3 full size swings, a roundabout, a full size slide and a climbing frame – it now has none of this, it was all removed over time and replaced with a small children's area which is not really fit for purpose and not for use of anyone over the age of 5, a large part of the old park area is unused and left to deteriorate., older kids hang about and leave rubbish etc. as they have nothing to do. I don't know how much £ this and following changes have saved Angus Council but they have been detrimental to Forfar. The next park local to me is The Reid Park and Steele Park– when I was young The Reid Park had a band stand, bowling club and green, paddling pool, trampolines and a putting green – over time this has all been removed. There is now only a band stand in The Reid Park.</p> <p>When I was young The Steele Park had swings, slide, roundabout and a climbing frame, it no longer has the same space and facilities, there is still a slide, children's swing and very small roundabout. Angus Council built new homes in Viewmount and decided to put a new car park in The Steele Park, removing rails used by skaters and reducing the size of play area for children. These parks facilities served the whole of Gallowshade, Viewmount and Lillybanks children and families for free and these facilities have been underfunded or removed over time.</p> <p>I believe there was recently a local social media campaign to save Forfar's parks from further decimation due to more cuts to children's facilities.</p> <p>Forfar Leisure Centre and Forfar Swimming Pool – these are both now closed and the new Campus that has replaced them is not serving everyone due to limited space at busy times. Approving this transfer would improve the health and wellbeing of children in and around Forfar who attend the club and are having to travel to Dundee to use facilities that are not available in Forfar. Parents have to organise lift shares, pays fuel and regularly travel in and out of Dundee to the McTaggart Centre, the children are not given time to eat full meals and have to snack.</p> <p>I recall Forfar Farmington being granted a lease in 2007 to build a hut on Market Muir Park and increase their membership and improve their facilities, this has benefited young girls in the community greatly over the years and I believe Phoenix Gymnastic Club would have a similar impact on the children and young people of Forfar. I wholeheartedly believe it would be of benefit to Forfar and the local community if Angus Council approved the application.</p>
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56	I would like to put my support behind their application for the use of the ground for the new club as it would be a great asset to Forfar Gymnasts and surrounding areas.
57	The gymnastics club has been a great asset to Forfar and it's young people for many years and a purpose built facility would be great for the community. There cannot be many people in Forfar who do not have a family member or friend who has not benefit.
58	I absolutely support the club with regards to what they are trying to do. It will provide a fantastic facility for the gymnasts. I am happy for the sale of the common good land for the purposes in the application.
59	My husband and I fully support the club in what they are trying to do and we are happy for the sale of common good land for the purposes in the application. We feel it's important for the community that this stays in the community for the community to use.
60	<p>I am completely in favour of the Community Asset Transfer request lodged by Phoenix Gymnastics Club Forfar.</p> <p>The gymnastics club do a sterling job of taking young people of varying ages and training and assisting them to shine as gymnasts. I have two grandchildren who attend and they both thoroughly enjoy the classes and training for competitions. The coaches do a fantastic job and their dedication is outstanding. Should they be successful then it will enable them to build a wonderful dedicated gym where they could leave their equipment in situ at the end of each class ready for the next session. I vote for a definite yes.</p>
61	Hi there just sending in a short message to show support for my daughters gymnastics club in what they are trying to do and we are happy for the sale of common good land for the purposes In the application.
62	<p>Letter from Scottish Gymnastics To whom it may concern. Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics Club – letter of support</p> <p>Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics Club are a member of Scottish Gymnastics with a membership which currently stands at 303. As part of our Corporate Strategy we have identified 'Clubs owning or accessing quality gymnastics specific facilities' as one of our 4 objectives within the Club pillar. The benefits of quality gymnastics facilities and equipment are evidenced by the ability for a club to grow and also it increases the performance potential of a club.</p> <p>We support Phoenix Forfar Gymnastic Club in their application for Community Asset Transfer of the tennis courts and associated car parking at Craig O'Loch Road, Forfar and will continue to support the club on their journey.</p>
63	We as a family support the club in the positive future they are trying to build in Forfar and support the sale of common good land for this application.
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71	<p>I am writing in support of the Council's sale of the 'common good' ground, where the old tennis courts stand, in favour of Phoenix (Forfar) Gymnastics Club. I believe it will be a huge asset to Forfar to have such a facility as is being proposed. It will enable the Club to expand (as I understand they have long waiting lists for members) not just in the numbers but also in diversity. Forfar is blessed with some very talented and enthusiastic coaches who, with a purpose built building and specialist equipment, will be able to make the most of the local talent.</p> <p>Currently the ground is in disuse as is the old Leisure Centre which is such a shame as this used to be a lively centre of activity and leisure for Forfar. Introducing a new, specialised sports facility will bring back some life and vitality to an attractive part of our town.</p>
72	<p>Letter from Forfar Community Council (approval for CAT and lease for Common Good/objection for purchase of Common Good</p> <p>Asset transfer of common good land to Phoenix gymnastics club</p> <p>We are writing as a Community council to support the transfer of the land known as the former tennis courts at Craig O'Loch Road Forfar under part 5 of the community empowerment act (Scotland)2015. We fully support all the work that they are doing and the need for a facility of this type. However, under the community asset transfer relating to change of use of common good land we object to the sale of the land and instead propose a lease option for the land under section 79 (2)(b)(i) The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015. (Asset Transfer Request Form) Section 3.1. This would give a maximum time of 175 years under the legislation and would allow full use of the land. The following conditions would also apply</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. if the benefits not delivered; 2. if use of the property changed; 3. if community body wound up: <p>The leased option would naturally expire at the date of termination or if any of the above conditions were breached. The lease should also include restoration of the land as an option to Angus Council being the statutory body to administer Common Good land.</p> <p>The sale to an external body and loss of the Common Good land at £500 is detrimental to the common good fund, when a lease could offer the same benefits and service provision with a nominal rent up to a maximum of 175 years with built in protections to retain Common Good land for future generations of Forfar.</p> <p>Note should also be made of Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 as the council can put in place additional protection for the common good land.</p>
73	I would like to email my support for Pheonix gymnastic club to acquire the the sale of common good land for the purpose of developing a gymnastic hall. This club has been running successfully in Forfar for decades. I cannot

	<p>speak highly enough of the committee in charge of this club. Please provide them with this opportunity. They are providing an extremely important contribution to the health and well-being of our young community.</p>
74	<p>We support the club in what they are trying to do and we are happy for the sale of the common good land for the purposes in the application .</p>
75	<p>We are sending an email in to support our gymnastic club-(Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics Club) in what they are trying to do and we are happy for the sale of the common good land for the purpose in the application. The new facility would be a great asset to Forfar and the surrounding areas, providing present members and new members with an opportunity to train and develop in their chosen sport within their local town.</p>
76	<p>I would like to email my support for Pheonix gymnastic club to acquire the the sale of common good land for the purpose of developing a gymnastic hall. This club has been running successfully in Forfar for decades. I cannot speak highly enough of the committee in charge of this club. Please provide them with this opportunity. They are providing an extremely important contribution to the health and well-being of our young community.</p>
77	<p>My family has membership with Phoenix Gymnastics and I have had recent discussions with staff regarding the proposal for the tennis courts at Forfar loch. My family fully support the club in what they aim to achieve in the Sale of the common good land for the purposes in the application. This really would be an excellent opportunity for the Angus community as a whole and I urge the Council to view this proposal on a long term basis and contemplate the benefits of accepting Phoenix Gymnastics who are an established asset to the area.</p>
78	<p>I fully support this Transfer on behalf of Phoenix Gymnastics Club. Two of my children attend this Club and I cannot stress enough the benefits they get from being a member of this Club. My daughters spent a significant amount of time on the waiting list before gaining places and they have gone from strength to strength since joining. Phoenix desperately needs their own premises, as a Club we are so restricted in what classes/equipment that can be provided. With one of my daughters, I have no choice but to transport her to Dundee weekly to allow her the opportunity to practice at Dick McTaggart. This Transfer would provide so many opportunities to extend this Club as well as reducing the current waiting lists. The Tennis Courts provide an excellent location for a purpose built gym, allowing for extension of this Club and providing extended opportunities for so many children.</p>
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80	<p>Having read Phoenix gymnastics application regarding the sale of common good land for the purpose of developing a dedicated gymnastics centre, I feel this is a fantastic opportunity for Forfar and the surrounding towns of Angus. I would fully support the sale of this common good land with the view that the club would develop a valuable asset to the town. I hope this proposal is seriously considered.</p>
81	<p>We support the club in what they are trying to do and are happy for the sake of common good land for the purpose in the application.</p>
82	<p>I would like to show my support for Pheonix Gymnastic Club in their bid to acquire common good land for the development of a new gymnastics facility. The club is an asset to the community, providing a high level of coaching for gymnasts of all levels. Having the proposed facility would open great opportunities for those unable to travel further for the same standard of set up. All projects promoting improved health and well being in the community should be supported rather than being hindered.</p>
83	<p>I would like to support the request for change of use at Craig O'Loch by Phoenix Gymnastics Club to a purpose built gymnasium. I believe that this would be of immense benefit for the whole area. Eventually it would host competitions which would benefit the area financially. It would help improve both the physical and mental health of the children who attend. It would also encourage more people to attend being a modern purpose built building which in itself would act as a good advertisement for Forfar. I do hope that this request is granted.</p>

84	I would like to show my support to the Pheonix Gymnastics Club with its proposal regarding the sale of common good land. I fully support the club in what they are trying to do and myself and my family are happy for the sale of common good land for the purposes in the application they have submitted. To have its own facilities would be great for the club, what they do to encourage the development of children is not noticed or appreciated enough!!
85	We support the Phoenix Gymnastic Club in what they are trying to do and we are happy for the sale of common good land for the purposes in the application.
86	I would like to express my support for the transfer of the former tennis court and associated car parking to the Phoenix Gymnastic club.
87	I would like to add my support to the proposed Phoenix Gymnastics's Facility in Forfar. My children take part in gymnastics as members of Arbroath gymnastics club. My daughter has been a member of the Angus envelopment squad and we met Shona, Phoenix's head coach, during her time there. Hundreds of children throughout Angus are taking part in gymnastics, both recreationally and competitively, and at present all of the Angus clubs have to travel to the Mctaggart Centre in Dundee to allow their competitive gymnasts to access top level facilities and equipment. It would be brilliant to have a dedicated facility within Angus. I hope Phoenix Forfar are successful in their application.
88	<p>As the council seeks to cut costs in times of austerity, the use of common good land can in fact generate income for the local community. A facility built on common good land could attract young people into the area, with visiting families spending time and money here in Forfar.</p> <p>Taking the tennis courts at Lochside in Forfar, the Pheonix Forfar Gymnastics club would be looking to purchase this land to make best use of it. This piece of common good land would not be swallowed up by a building developer or a local businessman looking to make a personal fortune from it. Instead , a purpose built facility for the youngsters of Angus , and something that Angus Council could be proud of being involved in. With so much negative feeling towards the council in recent times, this could be an ideal opportunity to promote the council in a more positive light. By promoting the project and allowing the use of that land for a local club and the young people of Angus. This could also be seen as an excellent opportunity to allow our young people to engage socially in a safe and secure environment, and at the same time, learn the skills and gain the physical and mental fitness the sport requires. The project would see an excellent use of land that currently lies in it's abandoned state. Money generated through membership of the club would allow the club to grow, which would hopefully result in attracting more people to the town. That has to be a positive move where we can attract other youngsters to a top class facility than have to transport them to Dundee to use theirs.</p>
89	I am writing to voice my support for the Forfar Phoenix gymnastics club to be able to build their own facility at the former Forfar leisure centre. I have been associated with the club as a parent for approximately 4.5 years because my oldest daughter (now 6) began attending gym teds at 18 months old, and I did the same program with my second child (now 4). At the time this was one of the few local activities on offer for toddlers as young as 18 months. It was a wonderful weekly class that involved all the children in singing, dancing, climbing and learning different movements. I was always impressed with the emphasis on safety and I felt that my daughters were encouraged in a positive way. My youngest daughter was lucky enough to secure a place in the gymnastics club when she "graduated" from gym teds because they had just opened up classes for pre-schoolers. She is thriving in the club - she always looks forward to going and she comes out happy and excited to share what she has learned. I would love for my older child to be in the club as well but there is currently a long wait list for her age group. I have 3 children and have attended many activities/ classes between Dundee and Forfar including baby signing, baby sensory, football, highland dance, pony club, swimming, water babies, trampolining, ballet, etc. In my experience, I have been most impressed by the service offered by the gymnastics club. Both coaches that currently teach my daughter are so patient; they never shout or seem overwhelmed - on the contrary their love of teaching children, and their passion for the sport really shines through. My daughter's confidence, strength, balance and skill level have all blossomed since she joined the club. I can't think of a more worthy new owner and I really do hope the application is granted so that my daughters and many other young people in our community can reach their full potential.
90	I would absolutely support the use of the tennis courts and car parking at the former Lochside Leisure Centre for the provision of a purpose built gymnastics facility for Phoenix Gymnastics Club. This provides fun and healthy activities for children and young people as well as a positive and hard working ethos. Hoping this will be supported.

91	<p>I am writing this email in support of Phoenix Forfar GC. The sale of this piece of land has my full support as a resident of Forfar, it is sad to see the old Leisure centre and tennis courts looking so miserable, unused and falling into disrepair. I think for such a club to be willing to dedicate fundraising and gaining support from so many parents and local businesses to take a small piece of unused and unsightly common land and regenerate for the community can only be a positive. Long term this will provide a service for many, of all ages to use, as well as providing employment opportunities. As they plan to built on an already existing site,the land within the area would not be given up. The use of common good land for the benefit of the community is a far more beneficial option than this area becoming derelict. This has to be a positive option for everyone.</p>
92	<p>I am writing this email to log my support for Phoenix Forfar GC and their hopes to purpose build a centre at the old tennis courts site at Forfar Leisure Centre. I think this would be a great asset to Forfar to have such a facility, obviously for our budding gymnasts but also for the other services they are planning/hoping to provide. Although the community campus has proved to provide a great service in Forfar there are area's that the club could provide for if they had their own building, such as expanding their training equipment and classes provided for their customers, opening the door for more children to join gymnastics which itself is great in helping children build their confidence, being part of a well run club as well as take part in sport which is never a bad thing in my book. The nearest facility is Dundee and has children coming from miles away so they can spend a few hours training in a purpose built facility, to have something like this in Forfar would be an amazing opportunity for so many reasons as well as an asset for Forfar, Angus and surrounding areas.</p>
93	<p>I am writing again to show my support for Phoenix (Forfar) Gymnastics Club to go forward with its plans to build a new facility at the tennis courts at Forfar Lochside. A gymnastics club is much needed in Forfar to give our youngsters more opportunity to practice a sport which is becoming ever more popular. Their present location is far from ideal as it is a shared facility and the wonderful coaches are not able to install all the necessary equipment as they would have to dismantle it after each class. A Club is not exclusive... Having this unique facility will put Forfar on the Gymnastics map as it were and hopefully encourage youngsters from surrounding towns to come and join a larger club. More competitions could be held there instead of the gymnasts always having to travel to Dundee, Perth or even further afield to compete or train. This would ultimately mean more gymnasts and their parents coming to Forfar and hopefully making the most of local businesses. Also the tennis courts are fairly central in Forfar so it would be possible to go on foot to the centre of town. And of course there is ample parking nearby. This is a heartfelt plea from not only the mother of a gymnast but from someone who would love to see this facility built in Forfar to encourage all our present and future gymnasts to realise their potential and for the town of Forfar to be even more proud of Phoenix Gymnastics Club.</p>
94	<p>I am writing to show my support for the facility proposed for Phoenix (Forfar) Gymnastics Club. My daughter has been a member of this Club since she was 8 years old (she is now 16) and this fantastic club has been a marvellous introduction for her into the world of gymnastics. Phoenix are doing the most incredible work giving our local youngsters the chance to do a sport which while demanding, gives girls and boys the means to not only have a chance to participate in a world respected sport, but also gives them to grow in confidence. When my daughter joined, Phoenix shared the hall at the old leisure centre with other sports and classes which was far from ideal as there was insufficient room for all the equipment and lots of distractions meant the youngsters were unable to hear their coaches at times or were distracted by seeing the other activities. The new Hall at Forfar Community Campus is again shared with other activities repeating the same problems. Dundee and Perth have centres solely for gymnastics and here the gymnasts can train on all the equipment knowing that it is solely for their own use and the equipment doesn't need to be dismantled each time the class has finished. I believe at Dundee McManus there are ball pits under the vaults for the gymnasts to land in when they are training to give them a very safe place to land thus building confidence. Obviously Phoenix does not have the opportunity at the moment to put all this extra equipment in place nor would it be possible if they do not have their own purpose built facility. Phoenix has grown and grown in no small part to the total commitment and care the coaches have put in on behalf of Forfar youngsters. I believe it is one of the largest if not the largest club in Forfar - and has an extremely long waiting list!</p> <p>This Club needs its own facility to let our future gymnasts shine even more and strive for their best potential. To do this I believe that a purpose built gym will provide these things and give Forfar a chance to be even more proud of all the work that Phoenix is doing.</p>
95	<p>I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the plans and application.</p> <p>Phoenix is an outstanding gymnastics club and a shining example of a community group succeeding and excelling. It is such a pity that talented youngsters have to travel to facilities outwith their local area, costing parents more money than can often be afforded. A dedicated facility for this club would allow better equipment, cheaper fees</p>

	<p>and less travel. At a time when the benefits of exercise are being extolled for both physical and mental wellbeing, this is an ideal opportunity for the council to be seen to support such a project. It also seems farcical that money would potentially be spent to demolish a building when a community group are willing to take it on. I am unsure what message demolition and refusal of such exciting plans would appear to the citizens of Forfar.</p>
96	<p>This email is to provide full support from myself and my family for Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics club for the sale of common good land to the club. We have been members of the gymnastics club for over 2 years and in that time I have seen it move premises. The club is massive with over 300 gymnasts - the heavy equipment needs to be pulled in and out all the time and they have no further storage for more equipment. While it is good that a few some gymnasts can travel to Dundee it would be far better and in the best interests of both members and the club for the club to have their own facility in Angus so that all the gymnasts can access the specialist equipment. The club is long established and has a good reputation and high profile in Angus but is at its full potential in its current state and needs to be granted permission to move this forward. The energy and drive that Shona and the committee have to push this forward is inspiring and the possibilities, potential and opportunities the club could have and provide to the youth of Angus with its own facility in Angus are endless. The application is well worth the read. Please please support this.</p>
97	<p>This email is to provide full support from myself and my family for Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics club for community asset transfer of tennis courts. We have been members of the gymnastics club for over 2 years and in that time I have seen it move premises. The club is massive with over 300 gymnasts - the heavy equipment needs to be pulled in and out all the time and they have no further storage for more equipment. While it is good that a few some gymnasts can travel to Dundee it would be far better and in the best interests of both members and the club for the club to have their own facility in Angus so that all the gymnasts can access the specialist equipment. The club is long established and has a good reputation and high profile in Angus but is at its full potential in its current state and needs to be granted permission to move this forward. The energy and drive that Shona and the committee have to push this forward is inspiring and the possibilities, potential and opportunities the club could have and provide to the youth of Angus with its own facility in Angus are endless. The application is well worth the read. Please please support this.</p>
98	<p>Representation of Common Good Land for Phoenix Gymnastic Club Forfar. I think this is a fantastic opportunity for the young children of Forfar/Angus to have their very own purpose built gymnastic facility. I support Shona and the club with moving forward with her plans for securing the Common Good Land at Forfar Loch and hope the application is successful. Hopefully all the hard work and fundraising will pay off and the children will enjoy this facility for many years to come.</p>
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100	<p>This is a fantastic idea, not just for the people of Forfar but for Angus as a whole. Since the opening of the new Community Campus this ground has just been left to ruin with no other use intended.</p> <p>Phoenix Forfar has been operating for over 30 yrs, hiring halls to accommodate all their gymnasts and all their equipment. To have their very own premises would save a lot of time, effort and energy pulling equipment out and then having to store it all away again at the end of sessions. This could be more valuable time, effort and energy spent with the gymnasts. Having their own premises would also help the club to expand as there will be more opportunity for more sessions which in turn would be more beneficial to the gymnasts and their parents.</p> <p>This will also bring people from the surrounding areas into Forfar which can only be good for local businesses.</p>
101	<p>My daughter has been going to Phoenix gymnastics club since she was 5 years old and she will be 12 in a couple of months ! It would be fantastic if Phoenix could finally have a place they can call home ! The club has been going for such a long time and is very successful for boys and girls of all ages and they deserve their own centre this would help with the long waiting lists and they can have proper sprung floors and their equipment left out instead of some of the clubs teams having to go to Dundee to train ! It is great for the children for their fitness levels their development and for making friends as its like one big family ! Plus they would have control of the clubs income more instead of having to hire halls where they have no say in the cost ! The club has been working very hard to achieve this and is continuously fundraising with the end goal resulting in their permanent home ! It would be a great asset to the town and even the wider community. This is something me and my husband are fully behind</p>

	and so are many people that I have spoken to . So lets get Pheonix a home so they can go on creating gymnasts for many years to come !
102	My 3 children all attend Phoenix Gymnastics. We travel from out with the town already and also have to travel to the purpose built centre in Dundee. To have the Gymnastic Centre in Forfar would be amazing for the existing members and also a great opportunity for those that would like to get into gymnastics. I understand the current waiting list is extensive which only goes to prove the demand for a suitable training facility. I cannot express how fabulous it would be to have this for our children and gymnasts of the future.
103	<p>Please find comments submitted in support of the Forfar Phoenix common good application for the sale of the land to the club:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Having a bespoke gymnastic training facility in Forfar will allow the club to expand in overall gymnast numbers allowing the children currently on the waiting list (200+) an opportunity to develop in gymnastics • The club could increase the number and size of equipment available to their gymnasts allowing them to progress further in the sport. As the equipment would be permanently placed in the facility it would no longer be exposed to damage and excessive wear and tear due to the storage arrangements at the campus and the equipment constantly being dismantled. • Having their own facility would allow a safer working environment for the coaches and gymnasts as there would be limited distractions (currently birthday parties, football coaching and trampolining) plus a larger area to develop bespoke classes. • Improve educational experiences and the wellbeing of Phoenix's advanced gymnasts who currently travel to the Dick McTaggart centre in Dundee, McTaggart is already operating at full capacity and there are waiting lists for further slots for clubs to train. The training times are provided by the centre and therefore gymnasts as young as 9 years old are travelling to Dundee to train late into the evening on school nights. These gymnasts are having to snack instead of sitting down to evening meals due to the timings of the classes and then they have to complete homework during the car journeys. Most of the gymnasts end up sleeping in the car on the way home due to the exhaustion of a busy school day and then late training in the evening. • Reducing the travel time would have a positive impact on family, work-life balances, improve education and in turn allow the gymnasts to focus and then improve their gymnastics due to being less tired and stressed. • Presently the gymnasts have to focus on core strength, range and conditioning during their allocated class times and at home as there is limited availability at the campus for bespoke classes, by having their own premises the club could expand with additional classes to help develop the competitive gymnasts further and help them reach the next level. • Currently all gymnastic holiday programmes are held in Dundee and Aberdeen having a bespoke facility could allow full & part time working parents the opportunity to utilise a local holiday programme which would significantly help with child-care during school holidays. • Having a bespoke fitness facility in Forfar would benefit the local community greatly as it provides further opportunity that will ensure our future generations are kept healthy and active. • Bringing the facility into the centre of the town will also allow parents of gymnasts from out with Forfar to complete weekly food shops, have cars serviced and enjoy local eateries whilst the children train bringing further revenue into the community. • The tennis courts are currently in a state of disrepair and a horrible eye sore by allowing this bespoke facility to be built it would tidy up the area and inject a new lease of life into the area. •
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105	<p>I would like to communicate my 100% support for the Common good land transfer of the former tennis courts and associated car parking, Craig o loch, Forfar to Phoenix Gymnastics club for the future use of a purpose built gymnastics facility.</p> <p>As a local resident to Angus, both my daughters are members of this club and I regularly witness first hand, the benefit that this organisation provides to the community and also the professional manner in which it is run. Should the proposal get approved, I have no doubt that the club, the members and the community would greatly benefit. For the future success and growth of our local club and the well-being and opportunity for our children, I urge you to make this happen</p>
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107	<p>I write in support of the above sale of common good land to Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics Club. As a parent of two children who attend classes with Phoenix I wholeheartedly support this application. The benefits this would bring to the kids and the club as a whole are unsurmountable. Having the ability to build their own club facility would be such a great thing for the club and the town and surrounding areas. It would provide the opportunity for many</p>

	<p>more kids to become involved in gymnastics and provide current gymnasts with more of an opportunity to further develop their skills with increased classes, specialist equipment and more time to train.</p>
108	<p>I write in support of the above community asset transfer of the tennis courts to Phoenix Forfar Gymnastics Club to allow them to progress with their plans for their own facility. My two daughters both currently attend gymnastics with Phoenix at the community campus and having their own facility would be of huge benefit to the gymnasts. It would allow for much more opportunity for gymnasts to develop beyond their current classes and provide access to more specific equipment. My eldest also is part of the display team and at present we have to travel to Dundee once per week to allow the team to practice at the Dick McTaggart Centre in Dundee, having our own facility in Forfar would be extremely beneficial and would prevent parent from having to travel to Dundee for certain activities. I know this is not exclusive to the display team as the advanced classes and boys classes also train here weekly. As a parent I am very much supportive of this community asset transfer.</p>
109	<p>I fully support this application. This would be a fantastic opportunity for a club with over 300 members to take this sport to the next level within the local community. This would allow the club to provide places for the 200+ on the waiting list. As sport is constantly encouraged having a purpose built facility in our area would be greatly advantageous to all levels of gymnast, I note - senior gymnasts have to travel to Dundee to train as the facility currently used cannot provide the necessary floor space required when competing. The tennis courts would be ideal for this project as it is so central within the town that parents that do not have access to vehicles can easily access this by foot. With more and more reports of kids hanging around streets and causing havoc this would support kids in giving them the opportunity to train inexpensively within a safe environment. Mental Health in children is on the rise and having this facility will give over 500 children/teenagers a hub where they can know is a place of purpose and support. The facility positioning would also boost the local economy as many parents would use the local restaurant and supermarkets within the vicinity whilst waiting for their children/teenagers. Phoenix Forfar Gymnastic Club is a large club which continually grows Lets provide them with a building that can provided all their needs.</p>
110	<p>There has been so much land wasted already within that area. For there to be such an offer that gives our children a future of many experiences I think it would be crazy to decline.</p> <p>Forfar has limited resources for children at the moment. Members of such a club gives them so many life skills: working as a team, self confidence, health and well being, personal achievements.</p> <p>As for the financial matter, the parents will be paying for a better future for the children and the club. It's a wonderful proposal.</p>